(6) The picture and the audible matter of the advertisement shall not be excessively loud;

(7) No advertisement which endangers the safety of children or creates in them any interest in unhealthy practices or shows them begging or in an undignified or indecent manner shall not be carried in the cable service.

(8) Indecent, vulgar, suggestive, repulsive or offensive themes or treatment shall be avoided in all advertisements.

(9) No advertisement which violates the standards of practice for advertising agencies as approved by the Advertising Agencies Association of India, Bombay, from time to time shall be carried in the cable service.

(10) All advertisement should be clearly distinguishable from the programme and should not in any manner interfere with the programme *viz.*, use of lower part of screen to carry captions, static or moving alongside the programme.

Security experts' demand for a tough and stringent anti-terror law

*144. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether demand for a tough and stringent anti-terror law to deal with threats from across the border to the country's vital installations, including nuclear facilities, has been raised by top security experts;

(b) whether existing laws are woefully inadequate to deal with the developing threats;

(c) whether it has been suggested that expert police which is the weapon of first resort against terrorism of any kind, must be adequately empowered and given full latitude in dealing with terror and its nexus with organized crime; and

(d) the other suggestions made and considered by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The Unlawful Activities (prevention) Act, 1967, as amended in September, 2004 has the necessary provisions to deal with various aspects of terrorism. The Government is, however, aware of the suggestions made from time to time regarding the need to strengthen the arrangements to counter terrorism including the need to designate certain crimes, such as terrorism, drug trafficking etc. that affect national security, as special crimes and their investigation and prosecution by a Central agency.

(c) and (d) The Government recognizes the need for continuous strengthening of the systems and for upgradation of skills and technical capabilities of the Central and State Police/security and intelligence agencies to effectively deal with, and investigate, terrorist and organized crime activities, and has taken various steps in this regard. These include effective border management to check infiltration from across the borders, deployment of Central security forces to aid the State police

forces in areas prone to terrorist violence, heightened vigil and security arrangements in vulnerable areas. and around vital installations, strengthening of intelligence gathering and sharing capabilities, augmentation and modernization of Central and' State police forces and raising of India Reserve Battalions, ensuring improved technology, weaponry and equipment with the Central and State police forces, strengthening of the investigative and prosecution machinery etc. Steps have also been taken to achieve bilateral and multilateral cooperation to deal with global imperatives of terrorism.

Deplorable condition of air sub-stations in North East

*145. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that all the sub-stations of All India Radio in North Eastern region are working in deplorable condition due to inadequate technical staff, infrastructure, equipments and poor management;

(b) if so, whether Government have any policy to upgrade or improve all such sub-stations; and

(c) whether any new sub-stations are going to be set up in the region soon?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) No, Sir. All the Stations in North Eastern Region are working satisfactorily. There are no sub-stations in existence.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. For strengthening the radio coverage in North East, following Plans have been implemented:

(i) As part of North East Plan Phase-I, a 10 kW FM transmitter at Itanagar and another transmitter (1 kW) at Kohima have been set up.

(ii) As part of North East Special Plan Phase-II, following transmitters have been approved:

- 1 kW FM transmitter at 19 new places.
- 5 kW FM transmitter at Silchar.
- 10 kW FM transmitter at Gangtok.
- Replacement of 1000 kW MW transmitter at Chinsurah (W.B.) by same power transmitter.
- 100 nos. of 100 Watt FM transmitters for uncovered areas.

(iii) Besides, FM transmitters at Aizawl and Churachandpur are technically ready.

(iv) No sub-stations are set up by AIR.